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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 70 is deleted.

The claims 71-73, 80, 82, 83 and 85 are amended as follows:

Claim 71 (amended). The process according to claim [70] 73, wherein said non-human animal is a mammal.

Claim 72 (amended). The process according to claim [71] <u>73</u>, wherein said mammal is selected from the group consisting of cows, sheep, horses, pigs, goats, rabbits, dogs, and cats.

Claim 73 (twice amended). [The] A process [according to claim 70] for treating an eye, comprising:

an amount effective to treat infection in a tissue of the eve, wherein said topically applying comprises supplying a depot of a composition containing said azalide antibiotic on the eye.

Claim 80 (twice amended). The process according to claim [70] <u>73</u>, wherein said composition further comprises an additional medicament.

Claim 82 (twice amended). The process according to claim [70] <u>73</u>, wherein said eye is suffering from at least one condition selected from the group consisting of conjunctivitis, ophthalmic neonatorum, trachoma, corneal ulcers, keratitis,

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keratoconjunctivitis, endophthalmitis, infectious uveitis and combinations thereof, and said amount of said azalide antibiotic is therapeutically effective to treat said condition.

Claim 83 (Three times Amended). The process according to claim [70] 73, wherein said azalide antibiotic is a compound of formula (I):

wherein R1 and R2 each independently represent a hydrogen atom or methyl group.

Claim 85 (twice amended). The process according to claim [70] 73, wherein said applying provides a therapeutically effective concentration of azalide antibiotic within a tissue of the eye for at least 8 hours.